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Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council



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BP CHERRY POINT COGENERATION PROJECT

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Dear Interested Person:

This notice is to advise you that a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) has been issued for the proposed BP Cherry Point Cogeneration Project. This document is designed to supplement or correct information provided in the DEIS. The proponent, BP West Coast Products, LL.C., has requested to build a 720-Megawatt gas-fired combined cycle cogeneration facility in Whatcom County, Washington, and interconnect this facility into the regional power transmission grid. To integrate the new power generation into the transmission grid, Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville) may need to re-build 4.7 miles of an existing 230-kV transmission line.

Bonneville and the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) have completed this FEIS under contract with Shapiro and Associates. The analysis was undertaken to meet the direction of the National Environmental Policy Act and other relevant federal laws and regulations as they pertain to power plant requests connected to a federal action, and the State Environmental Policy Act for state and private lands.

A DEIS was issued for public comment on September 5, 2003. The public comment period closed on October 27, 2003. A public comment hearing was held on October 1, 2003, in Blaine, Washington. EFSEC and Bonneville received 33 comment letters and oral comments from 11 individuals. The FEIS was prepared from information received from agencies, organizations, and individuals who submitted written and oral comments on the DEIS, and from testimony presented in the adjudicative hearings before EFSEC. Comments on the DEIS have resulted in changes to text and illustrations where appropriate.

The FEIS is available to interested persons free of charge. Copies may be requested by contacting EFSEC, at (360) 956-2121, P.O. Box 43172, Olympia, WA 98504-3172. Both the DEIS and the FEIS are available in electronic format on the internet at www.efsec.wa.gov, and in hard copy for public reference at the following locations:

Washington State Library Joel M. Pritchard Library Point Plaza East 6880 Capitol Blvd Tumwater, WA, 98504-2460 (360) 704-5200

Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council 925 Plum Street SE, Building 4 Olympia, WA, 98504-3172 (360) 956-2121 Whatcom County Library 610 Third Street Blaine, WA 98230

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For further information regarding this proposal, you may also contact Thomas McKinney (Bonneville) at (503) 230-4749 or Irina Makarow (EFSEC) at (360) 956-2047. You may access the Final EIS and find more information about the project and the responsible agencies on the Bonneville web site at www.efw.bpa.gov and the EFSEC web site at www.efsec.wa.gov.

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